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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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1. Japanese Patent Laid-open Publication No. 2003-17495, published January 17, 2003
(previously listed on PTO/SB/08 A&B on September 25, 2006).
2. Japanese Patent Laid-open Publication No. 59-222954, published December 14, 1984
(previously listed on PTO/SB/08 A&B on September 25, 2006).
3. Japanese Patent Laid-open Publication No. 2001-15633, published January 19, 2001
(previously listed on PTO/SB/08 A&B on September 25, 2006).
4. Japanese Patent Laid-open Publication No. 2004-095849, issued March 25, 2004
(with an English-language Abstract).

5. Japanese Patent Laid-open Publication No. 2003-124389, issued April 25, 2003

(with an English-language Abstract).

6. Japanese Patent Laid-open Publication No. 2001-351997, issued December 21, 2001

(with an English-language Abstract).

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for those indicated as being previously submitted.

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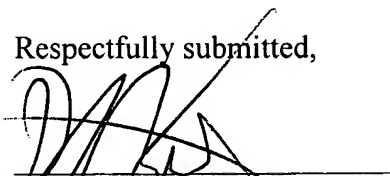
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